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Ed Nelson, FUA President

## President's Report

The district convention time is over for another year. I have enjoyed taking part in them and listening to the various points of view. It was interesting to note the genuine attempt at all meetings to have agendas and programs prepared before hand, and, in most cases completed in good time during the convention. Interest was keen but in most cases meetings were smaller than last year. Districts 8 and 9 had the largest attendance with 8 taking the honors. (When we get the official counts I may be wrong.)

If we were to answer a question on, what do the people of Alberta expect of their organization? I would say, "there are 14 districts in Alberta and there are 14 different ideas as to what we expect. Add to that the ideas prevalent in other groups of farm people and you get some notion of the complexities of the whole thing." One thing stands out

in my mind. We have depended too much on tradition and have not studied our needs and future conditions enough.

In the past, membership in the organization has been sold to people on one premise, if we could get 50% or more of the farmers to join, miracles could be accomplished, governments would jump and business men would be meek. Last year we did have approximately 50% of the farm people as members and none of these things happened. Now the members want to know why? What happened? What's wrong with our president, our board, our organization? It's a good question and one that needs answering. I am not going to try to answer but I will try to picture the situation as I see it and hope the members develop the answer.

What do we expect from our organization? Most people say we want "parity". This is our goal. How do we reach it? Our conventions year after year do an admirable job of endorsing old objectives and setting new ones. Our 1960 Program and Handbook sets them out very well.

### Objects of the F.U.A.:

- (a) To advance on all possible occasions, the interests of farmers and farmers' co-operative organizations.
- (b) To preserve the family-type farm, the foundation stone of democracy and the basis of a true rural culture.
- (c) To co-ordinate the efforts of the various branches of agriculture for the purposes of promoting their common interest through collective action.
- (d) To promote and secure necessary and just legislation.
- (e) To achieve a relationship of price which will ensure to agriculture its fair share of national income.
- (f) To contribute to a high standard of living for all citizens by promoting the highest production over a long-termed period, commensurate with sound agriculture practices and available markets.
- (g) To promote social intercourse, a higher standard of community life, and the study of economic and social questions relating to agric and democratic citizenship.
- (h) To promote the fullest possible use of credit unions.

The district conventions just completed have developed some new thoughts along these lines. How do we reach them? Do we go to governments and try to impress them with the justice of our request or do we request with a

loud voice and flailing fists. Both methods have, and are being used. Both methods have failed and both have had some success over the years. No method can be a success unless we have some kind of power. This power in most cases could only be represented by withholding our votes. There has never been any indication by our members that they are prepared to withhold their votes. Too often they have voted for people who oppose farm union policy. Withholding produce has been tried and its success or otherwise is still a matter of controversy. Of the two, the vote is the simplest and easiest to handle. Farm union people in the north central U.S. have turned to this method quite extensively in recent years. Whether or not they will be successful remains to be seen. Withholding produce is dependent on its availability from other sources and the ability to unite all farmers over a wide area, possibly even internationally.

In the meantime, we have been moderately successful in establishing more realistic principles in government support programs. Because farmers, generally have not stayed with a common principle, has confused the issue somewhat. Nevertheless, it is admitted by government that they do have a responsibility to make adjustments. This can only be attributed to the work farm organizations have done.

In the area of self help, we have only scratched the surface. Far too many people refuse to try to understand what co-operative effort can and will do for them. Not enough effort is being made to understand new and improved approaches to marketing generally. (This includes marketing boards). Far too much emphasis is put on so called freedom and private initiative.

(See Page 4 Column 1)

## PLEASE

It's an emergency.

One of the ladies on our F.U.A. head office staff lost a small gold bracelet and chain when mailing out the July issue of "The Organized Farmer."

It might have become caught in your copy or the bundle which went to your post office. Please ask your postmaster.

The name "Neil" is engraved on one side with the date "15 January 1936" on the other side.

Here is a quote on freedom from the recent book by James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers' Union, under the title "The Case for Farmers."

"American farmers are freer than those of any other country in the world. I have visited many countries, and I know this to be true. I am also a director of the American Civil Liberties Union and am dedicated to its purposes. To tell American farmers that they are losing their freedom is just much hog wash to cover the drive to knock out federal farm programs and get prices on the open market. Not one but those who profit from processing, manufacturing and distributing farm commodities will gain from going that route . . . farmers would be 'free' to go broke."

With all these things in mind I would like to see a committee of farmers and an economist with enough time and money available, to study the whole situation. I think their terms of reference should be: (1) Review our Aims and Objectives, to determine among other things, how well they fit present day needs. (2) To determine the role of all farm organizations in the matter of farm policy and its administration. (3) To assess the value of such organization to farmers and the best method of financing it. Having determined these things it will be important to establish the methods required to implement any or all the objectives. I am not suggesting that it will require any great changes. I am only saying we must find a way to unify any actions we want to undertake. That can only happen if all people will have confidence in, and support their organization even if it means some sacrifices to do so.

## Correction

We regret that an error occurred in the printing of Mrs. Barker's report on Child Welfare Week, as it appeared in the July issue of The Organized Farmer. This meeting was the 42nd annual meeting—not the 2nd. We would like to point out also that Mrs. Maude Riley is now in her 38th term as president of the Alberta Council of Child and Family Welfare, and 52nd year of voluntary service in this most worthy work. This, we believe must constitute something of a record, and indicates 'devotion to duty' of the highest order.

## Hog Marketing Study

Representatives of nine farm organizations from the three prairie provinces met Wednesday in Saskatoon to study proposals for a hog marketing board at a meeting convened by the Interprovincial Farm Union Council. The meeting unanimously passed a motion as follows:

"THAT this joint committee representing Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta producers set up to study hog marketing, is in favor of the principle of producer marketing boards as it would apply to each province, coupled with the use of an interprovincial agency to handle export and interprovincial trade, and further

"THAT a committee be set up to study the Ontario Hog Marketing Board, its pros and cons, and also procedures and regulations of other marketing boards or alternative plans, and report to this committee for further study, and further

"THAT information gained be included along with an educational program necessary to acquaint the producers with problems affecting the hog industry."

The meeting agreed that the representatives present from each province name one member to a committee to engage in a study as outlined by the resolution, and that the report of the committee be ready for study by the parent committee by the 1st of October, 1960.

Alberta representatives present at the meeting included Mr. C. Anderson, Farmers' Union of Alberta; Mr. C. P. Hayes, Alberta Livestock Co-op; Mr. Walter Davidson, Hog Producers' Association; Mr. J. M. Bentley, Alberta Federation of Agriculture.

In Edmonton, the Alberta Livestock Co-operative at its recent annual meeting asked that marketing boards be the topic for the regional Farm Radio Forum broadcast in November. In making the request it was also agreed that special effort should go into organizing meetings to listen to the broadcast, read the study material, discuss the subject, and report their opinions as guidance to the organization for future action.

## What is a Farmer?

Following our full page story on the definition of a farmer in the last issue of the News and Information bulletin, the following definition was contributed by one of our reader friends . . . "A farmer is a man outstanding in his field."

## FARMERS -- BEWARE!

From time to time we have an irate member coming to us and saying, "Why didn't you tell us?" Our answer has always been—"We did tell you but you didn't listen."

A few old skin games are prevalent again. The income tax racket is one. The pitch is generally that for a fee they will look after your income tax problems for specified time. Why get taken for a ride when you have this service available to you in your own organization?

Another scheme that has become prevalent is to convince people that they need a burial plot in some fancy cemetery. After they persuade you to buy a plot and pay for it, they come back and tell you you must buy some other very expensive services or your plot can't be used. There are several variations to this game but that's the general principle. We would suggest that a thorough investigation is in order any time you contemplate dealing with an agent or dealer you do not know personally.

Here is another one, as outlined in a note from the Better Business Bureau of Edmonton, "Does Your Roof Need Repairs?"

The Better Business Bureau of Edmonton wishes to warn farmers and home-owners to guard against the itinerant roofers, who just happen to be in the area, and notice that your roof needs repairs. Chambers of Commerce in the Province of Saskatchewan have issued a warning that operators of the old roofing swindle are busy, and may be moving westward.

One of their methods of operation is to approach the owner of a home with a roof which appears to have been installed for some time—particularly the asphalt type, and tell him that they have some new compound, which, if sprayed on the roof, will add ten years to the life of the shingles. They will even be willing to provide you with a "Ten Year Guarantee." When the job is done it may look good, and they collect their money, and move on. Of course, the guarantee is worth little or nothing, because you will likely be unable to trace them later,—and closer examination of their miracle compound may prove it is nothing more than road oil mixed with powdered aluminum. Within a few days, the oil has soaked into the shingles or dried up, and the aluminum powder has gone with the wind.

If you don't know the salesman or his firm by reputation, take time to investigate. Deal with firms you know, who have a reputation for satisfaction.

## Landowner's Surface Rights

by W. G. Ambrose

A landowner has full authority to refuse entry of a drilling operator or pipeline layer to commence operations on his land unless or until—

(1) A satisfactory agreement has been worked out, or

(2) Permission has been granted by the Right of Entry Board of Arbitration.

An order of the Arbitration Board establishes the portion of the surface that may be used and provides for compensation to be paid the landowner or occupant.

Before compensation is fixed the landowner is notified and given the opportunity to present his case either in person or by a letter.

Compensation varies greatly with different companies.

Rights leased or granted are most complete including the right to enlarge the area on which to construct any number of pipe lines, flow lines, power lines or communication lines above, on or under the surface together with all attendant structures this company needs in its operations.

The company may also decrease the area used and of course decrease rental payments proportionately.

There is usually a renewal and a cancellation clause.

The company usually agrees to—

To payment as specified in the contract.

To dig pits or provide metal reservoirs and deposit drilling mud or sludge therein.

To construct roadway to have shallow ditches or provide approaches so that the occupant may cross with farm machinery, or

To erect a good substantial fence with gates or level stock crossing if required by farmer.

To replace and/or repair all fences removed or damaged.

To pay compensation for damage done to growing crops, buildings or other improvements of the landowner.

Upon abandonment to "plug" the well, fill all excavations and restore the surface as near as is practicable to its condition at the time of entering.

Scale of payment for well site and roadway:

Damage to surface \$25 to \$125 per acre

Disturbance \$150 to \$500

1st year — Annual use \$20 to \$75

Severance & Inconvenience \$150 to \$250

2nd and subsequent years — Annual rental \$20 to \$75 — Severance and inconvenience \$150 to \$250

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# MENTAL HEALTH

By Mrs. F. Hallum

Mental and emotional illness is the most difficult and the most important health problem in Canada.

The prevalence of cases of complete or partial disability due to disorders of this kind is truly staggering. Advances in medicine, surgery and public health, has all but brought under control those diseases caused, in the main, by contagion and disasters related to man's physical environment. This has served to throw into dramatic relief the fact that similar advances have not yet significantly controlled the damaging and destructive effects of the so-called "stress" disease—the disorders related to man's social and emotional environment.

At the present time nearly one half of all hospital beds in Canada are occupied by patients suffering serious mental illness.

Careful surveys of sample populations have revealed that in addition to people who have been completely incapacitated by mental disorders (estimated at more than 6 per 1000 of the population) at least 1 in 10 suffer from mental or emotional illness sufficiently serious to cause impairment of function amounting to 10% or more. One Canadian study concludes that more than 370 per 1000 population are currently impaired in this way.

It is, of course, almost impossible to estimate the economic loss to Canada resulting from these illnesses. The actual cost of operating the Mental Hospitals, Clinics and psychiatric units in general hospitals is more than 75 millions of dollars annually. And this provides for only nominal care and treatment.

The per diem patient cost in the larger mental hospitals is currently \$2.90 (compared with \$4.50 per diem for the care of prisoners in penitentiaries and \$15.00 to \$20.00 per diem for the care of patients in the larger general hospitals). If the standard of care and treatment were established according to the best scientific knowledge now available, it is estimated that the cost would be between 150 and 250 millions annually. If to this were added the cost of lost production, loss of family income, the figure would become astronomical.

With the advent of the newer methods of treatment (electric shock therapy, brain surgery, new drugs and chemical therapies and new developments in individual and group psychotherapy) a new philosophy of psychiatric treatment is emerging. The trend is now away from

huge asylum-like institutions with locked wards and barred windows, toward the establishment of smaller hospitals built on a regional or community basis. These new hospitals have a close working relationship with the general hospitals, and there is provision for a much freer movement of patients in and out. The locks and bars are going the way of the straight jacket and leg irons in psychiatric treatment.

One of the great obstacles to progress in the mental health field is the fact that public attitudes have not always been favorable. While there is currently a notable change for the better, mental illness has always been regarded with horror and dismay. The stigma of mental illness, while having no basis in scientific reason or fact was, and still is, an effective handicap to mental health progress. So real is this stigma that patients have often refused the medical help that is available at the time when it is most effective, relatives have preferred to deny and hide the mentally ill in the family.

### The Protection of Mental Health

There is good evidence that a young child, especially between the ages of 6 months and 3 years, if deprived of the warm and supportive affection and loving care of his mother or a satisfactory mother substitute, will frequently reveal signs of emotional and social blunting, hostility and maladjustment. Conversely, there is growing evidence that spontaneous, consistent and natural affection and love between members of the family have a protective and positive effect on the emotional and social stability of the children.

The emotional needs of the child are found almost unchanged in the adult,

## BEWARE -- POISON

by Mrs. L. Gibeau

Poison kills 250 persons each year in Canada. Tragic, is it not? Yet so many mothers store poisonous detergents and cleaning fluids under the kitchen sink where tiny toddlers can get at them with ease. Another very dangerous drug is aspirin. They are obtainable in such large quantities. Someone suggested that they should be obtainable in **small packets only**. One thing we suggest is that all poisonous substances be placed under lock and key—out of reach of children.

Mr. J. R. Brown, M.Sc., secretary Poison Control advisory committee, says

that during the first quarter of this year 336 poisoning cases were reported. Drugs and medications for internal use accounted for 226 of them, household chemicals 65. To the credit of the new service, no deaths from poison were reported in the three month period. Aspirin poisoning figured prominently.

### Poison Information Centres Established Throughout Alberta

Accidental poisoning is an emergency situation which in our industrialized society can happen to anybody, in any place and at any hour of the day or night. To meet these emergencies efficiently, information on the treatment for a great variety of possible poisons must be made easily and rapidly accessible. Examination of poison control programs in other parts of Canada and the United States, showed that, through lack of information, and difficulties in communication, large segments of the population in rural areas were deprived of this essential service. In designing poison control services for Alberta, it was recognized that this problem would be particularly acute. Therefore, special attention has been given to the problem of meeting the needs of the rural as well as the urban population.

Poison Control Service provides:

(1) A poison treatment centre in every hospital in the Province. These facilities are available, free of charge, to every qualified medical doctor in the area served.

(2) Two Poison Information Centres—one in Calgary General Hospital to service Southern Alberta, the other in the University Hospital at Edmonton to service Northern Alberta. These poison information centres are staffed on a 24 hour a-day, seven days a week basis by medically qualified staff members, who are equipped to supply information, over and above that in the poison treatment centres—to any properly qualified person, "free of charge", by telephone, at any hour of the day or night.

(3) A poison control service office in the Department of Health where the reports on poisonings will be compiled and examined to determine the substances, age groups, etc. involved in accidental poisonings so that a poison prevention program can be initiated.

(4) The poison treatment centres at the hospitals are equipped with an index system listing 2400 common household drugs, chemicals and pesticides, their chemical properties and antidotes.

I hope you will spread this word around in your community and help to eliminate some of the tragedies.

## F.U.A. Local News

At the June monthly meeting of the Innis Lake Local #1017, Mr. R. MacLeod, M.L.A. for their constituency was guest speaker. A discussion period followed. After reading the letter sent out by the Junior president, a donation of \$50.00 was made to the Junior Camp.

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Breton F.U.A. local held a farmers' picnic on Farmers' Day at Fennell School, with a large crowd attending. Races were held for the children. There was a softball game and a booth on the grounds. A dance was held in the evening.

### SURFACE RIGHTS (Cont. From P. 5)

#### Permanent Easements

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(2) In some cases of surface structures damages are paid on much the same scale as with well sites and roadways.

## OPEN FORUM

Letters for publication from members and subscribers only in the Open Forum must be brief. Pen names may be used if desired, but the pen name of the sender must accompany the letter. A recent Board of Directors' ruling limits letters to 300 words and those longer cannot be accepted. Readers are asked to observe this change. The F.U.A. does not necessarily endorse or accept any responsibility for opinions expressed under this heading.

Dear Editor:

Here are some points from the "Findings of the Price Spreads Commission" that your readers may find of interest, probably being along the line of their own thinking.

It appears evident that the commission's chief concern was with the effect on consumer prices and inflation.

All primary producers are consumers,

and under our present specialization program, the farmer is, as a consumer, more directly affected by retail food prices than ever before. To this extent the results of the findings of the price spreads commission appear to be of direct interest to the farmer.

However, the commission did consider that if the farmers wish to improve their sales bargaining power, the adoption of marketing boards could put them in an improved position to deal with large buyers who process, package and retail the products bought from farmers. That was indeed an admission.

They tempered the above by stating the federal legislation in favour of producer marketing boards should only be enacted if processors and large retailers refused to pass on their large profits to consumers. Note the latter, to consumers, not back to producers, who—according to all statistics and government reports—are the ones who are being short changed.

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J. E. Brownlee, President and General Manager of the U.G.G. speaking at the I.F.U.C. Banquet. Seated left to right: Ed Nelson, President of the F.U.A.; Mrs. Braithwaite, President F.W.U.A. and Dr. W. J. Anderson, Professor of Political Economy, U.B.C.

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### Farmers' Union and Co-operative Development Association

Approximately 25 co-operatives and farm organizations in the City of Edmonton will soon see in a visible way the results of five months of planning and work, which have gone into four separate projects under the guidance of Floyd Griesbach, and sponsored by the Farmers' Union and the Co-operative Development Association.

The first of these is receiving the finishing touches, at Co-op Press. It is the "Telephone List" of Edmonton Co-operatives and Farm Organizations. The other three projects are, the "Speakers Pool", the Co-operative Film List, and a revised edition of "Co-ops and Farm Organizations of Alberta."

The original idea for project no. 1, was a simple list for switchboard operators of co-operative and farm organizations, listing the name, address, telephone number, commodities handled, and services rendered, along with heads of departments; within a couple of months, interest grew, along with the number of organizations participating, to the point where it was evident it was going to be anything but a simple, handy list. This became more noticeable as the 68 credit unions in the city were added. The various groups in discussion then decided to list the credit unions separately as an appendix, and simplify the producer, consumer, and service groups, by listing the name, the address, and the telephone number.

Further details regarding the other three projects will be supplied at a later date.

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**1960 JUNIOR F.U.A. QUEEN**  
Karen Smith of Vulcan was crowned "Miss Junior F.U.A. Queen for 1960", recently at Farm Young People's Week which was held at the University of Alberta. Karen is a member of the local basketball club, young people's, curling club and is a member of the F.W.U.A. group. Karen represented District 12 in the contest.

### Ontario Egg Producers Study Egg Marketing

Ontario egg producers are studying the possibility of developing a producer marketing plan for their product, and President Tom Robson of Leamington, in his address to the annual meeting of the Ontario Poultry Producers Association in Toronto urged the producers to proceed with caution. However he expressed confidence that a marketing plan for Ontario eggs could and would be developed in the coming year.

Everett Biggs, Assistant Deputy Min-

ister of Agriculture for Ontario, and in charge of the new marketing branch announced that a new Egg Marketing Committee had been set up by the Poultry Producers' Association and the Department. The Department will underwrite the cost of this committee and its study of egg marketing conditions as a contribution to the effort to develop a sound marketing plan. Mr. Robson was named as chairman of this committee, other members being Albert Pond, Jarvis, representing the Poultry Industry Council; Mr. T. E. Brady, General Manager of the United Dairy and Poultry Co-operative; L. H. Gray, Ridgetown, an egg grading station operator, and Mr. Earl Haslett of the Farm Economics Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, who will act as Secretary.

There is a two-fold purpose for this committee and its study will be to (a) find ways and means of providing the consumers with a better quality egg, and (b) to investigate the possibility of setting up an egg marketing plan under the Ontario Farm Products Marketing Act to insure that the producers get the best possible price for their eggs.



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**C F C W — CAMROSE**

Dial 1230 — 6:55 p.m.

"ALBERTA'S FARM STATION"

**C-J D C — DAWSON CREEK**

Dial 1350 — 7:15 a.m.

**C H E C — LETHBRIDGE**

Dial 1090 — 6:45 a.m.

**C H F A — EDMONTON**

En Francois

Dial 680 — 12:45 p.m.

"Journal Agricole Lundi a Vendredi incl.  
 Commentateur — Tharcis Forestier

**June 22** — "There are plenty of people in the U.S., as well as in Canada, who are bringing the strongest possible pressure on farmers, on their organizations, and on government, to throw the production and marketing of farm produce wide open. Needless to say, very few of them make their living from farming. They are mostly people who are in the processing and marketing end of the business, and the more produce they can get their hands on, the more earnings they make. Their interests are not the interests of the farmer."

**June 27** — "What is the future of co-op stores? Well the small ones are going to gradually disappear, just like the small privately-owned stores and the too-small farms. There is no place for them. But, because a small co-op closes up, its shareholders must not get the idea that the co-operative principles are at fault. We must realize that this is a sign of the times, and we must try to make the necessary adjustments before it is too late. Our local stores, co-operative or otherwise, must have a large enough turnover that they can keep their staff busy all the time, and so cut costs and overhead. And if we have to make one large farm out of two small ones or one large co-op store out of two small ones—then we had better get started on the job."

**July 11** — "The output per man on the farms of North America has increased, not 2 or 3% per year, but 7% per year, or about 3 times as much as the average of other industries. Another example of the efficiency of farms is shown by the fact that we are losing many hundreds of farmers every year. Many of these are the inefficient farmers—inefficient through age, or too small farms, or some other factors beyond their control. Others are inefficient because they are not by nature, good farmers. And so, inefficiency in agriculture, whatever the cause, is being steadily weeded out. Yet our production is maintained or increased."

**July 12** — "Large scale farming is a natural for the prairies. There are not too many lakes, rivers and natural obstructions. The land is easy to work, and modern, big power machinery, working very large fields, provides economical operation. This equipment is very expensive and it must be used to the limit, in order to justify the cost. This means that diversification, in the matter of crops, is limited to a crop that can be handled by this big machinery. The grain grower with 1000 acres to farm, can't afford 100 acres of special crop which demands a new line of machinery. If it can't be handled with his regular grain machinery, it's out."

YOUR COMMENTATOR BILL HARPER



Many points were represented at each convention. Above, left to right: R. L. Smathers, Bay Tree; Hugh Powell, Sexsmith; Les. Harris, Beaverlodge; and Donald Noyes, Dimsdale.



The best chairs were in the front row at Ponoka

# 1960

# District Conventions

## in a glance

The conventions packed them in.

Real interest in farm problems

At Nanton (left) and Forestburg.



## Speakers . . .



Ed. Nelson does a sales pitch on F.U.A. banners, ties and pins at Lethbridge. Molly Copeland and Larry Lang listening.



Gerald Schuler, Junior Executive member makes a point at the District 13 convention at Brooks. Mrs. Phil Duby at the head table.



Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite, F.W.U.A. President, speaking to District 3 at Picardville. Bob Pruess and Mrs. Halen James.

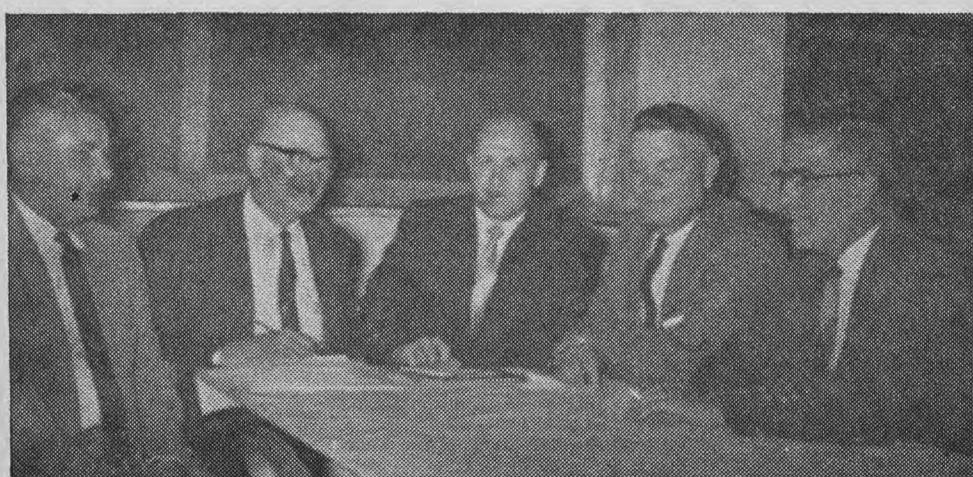
## Every Convention had a Chairman and Secretary



Bill Swiderski hands the chair to Paul Babey at St. Paul. Mrs. Wilma Popowich was secretary.



Above: Ken McIntosh, of Grande Prairie, handles the meeting, while Mrs. Maxine Beatty takes the minutes.



## A Panel

At Brooks several dignitaries were presented in a short time by having a panel discuss F.U. & C.D.A.

At left: Floyd F. Griesbach, director; Ed. C. Nelson, Policy Council chairman; Brian Sommerville, who chaired the panel; W. W. Wagler, Wheat Pool fieldman at Lethbridge; Wilf. Hoppins, chairman of the Advisory Committee.

## Registration . . .

Keeping track of the delegates, visitors and officials is a big job. District 7 made good use of signs to reduce the questions and delay.



Mr. and Mrs. Keith Armstrong register for Eugene Elm and Mrs. Rita Finlay at Vermilion, while at the other side of the entrance April and Caroline Belik get meal tickets from Bob Parker. Carl Markland and Luke Killoran gave out the delegate badges and programs.

## Resolutions . . .

Each convention had a "Resolutions Committee, (below left) District 13, (right) District 8, which sorted the many resolutions in order for presentation to the meeting. In District 1, six resolutions on the same topic necessitated the use of discussion circles to sort out the ideas. Later in the day, two resolutions were presented by the committee. This saved valuable time and all the points had been considered.



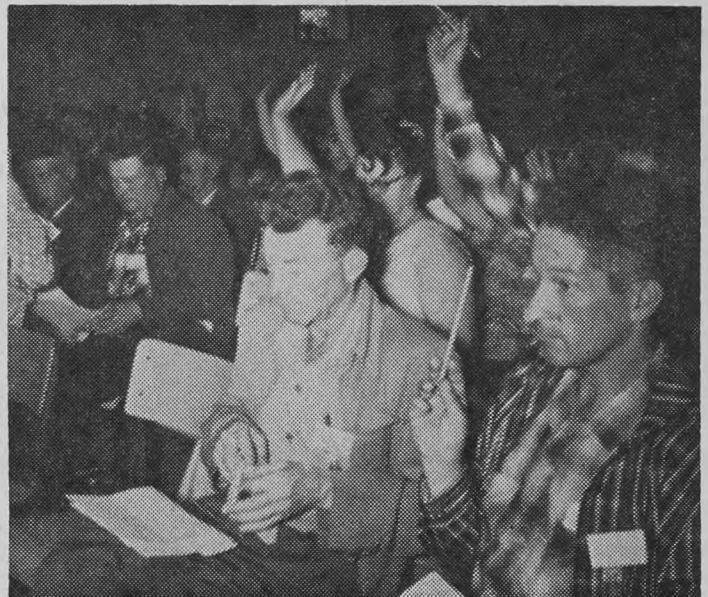
(Above) Marvin Fischer, Hilda Ehrman, Mrs. E. Irvine, Barney Gogolinski, Orion Chomistek, Scandia; Willie Will, Irvine; wording a resolution at Brooks.

(Above) Ernest Hoehliz, Gladstone; L. D. Niehaus, Heisler; and Bernard Rostaing, Bawlf, handled the resolutions at Forestburg.

## Order of Business . . .

In some districts the Board set the agenda, while others left it to the Order of Business Committee. (Left to right) Charlie King, Dan Whitney, Henry Young and Glen Dean guide District 9 convention.





MAKING DECISIONS is hard work. Three methods were used at each convention: (1) Committee; (2) Ballots; (3) Show of hands. Above left, the election committee at District 10 counts the ballots to elect the Director. Above right, the delegates at District 2 are divided as they vote on a motion.

## Time to Eat . . .



Several conventions had a local women's organization provide meals and lunch for the coffee break. Even the cooks took time to enjoy their meal at Pickardville. Left to right: Mrs. Russell Sterling, Mrs. Clare Jeremy; Mrs. S. E. Smith, Bonnie Burns, Mrs. Myles Burns and Mrs. R. Kittlitz.

## Award Winner . . .

The best local report received a trophy at District 5. Mrs. Hubert Anderson accepted the award on behalf of the Freedom-Naples F.W.U.A. from Mrs. Helen James, the District F.W.U.A. Director. See Page 23 for the winning report.



## Extra Attractions . . .



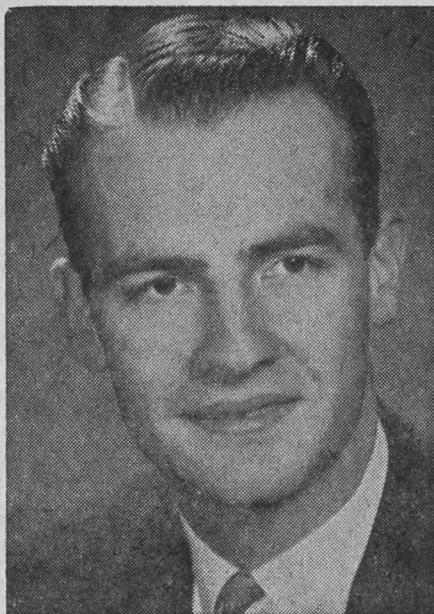
Corsages were given to Mrs. Ed. Nelson, Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite and Mrs. Floyd Griesbach at Grande Prairie during the women's luncheon.



Sing songs were a welcome change at some meetings. Right: Alex McCalla, centre, tries out the new song book "Alberta Sings" for Eugene Elm and April Belik at the Vermilion School of Agriculture, where District 7 met.



A safety film was shown by Frank Oxford (left) of Co-operative Fire and Casualty Insurance Co. Safety pledges were distributed and voluntarily signed (centre) in District 9. At the right, Ronald Henderson hands Mr. Oxford a pile of signed pledges from District 8.



ALEX McCALLA

## Junior President's Report

by Alex F. McCalla

The following items of interest can be reported with regard to the camp project this month.

### Memorial Cabin Construction

Some months ago the camp committee received a request from the Pine Hill Local in District 10, asking if they would be permitted to build a cabin at Gold Eye Lake. The committee approved the idea of building a dormitory cabin. Since then the arrangements have been made, the problems have been faced and surmounted and a cabin now stands at Gold Eye Lake, built by the hands of the members of Pine Hill Local, in memorial to a young couple killed in a car accident in December 1953. This cabin will be dedicated on August 14. Present at the dedication will be a number of notables, namely Mr. Nelson, Mrs. Braithwaite, representatives of the various co-operatives and, we hope of government agencies as well. On August 14, two ministers will dedicate the cabin in memory of this young farm couple.

The day's programme will commence at 11:30 with a short ceremony dedicating the cabin. All people coming on the caravan trip to the lake are requested to bring lunches and if they wish, pool resources and have a pot luck dinner at the site. Kitchen facilities are available for making coffee and the like, so there will be no problem in servicing all who wish to come.

Many people have expressed the desire to go to the camp. Some missed our caravan on Farmers' Day last year

because of local celebrations at home. Well, here again is your opportunity to visit the camp and see the progress that has been made over the past 14 months. Everyone, both inside and outside the Farmers' Union is welcome to attend our dedication ceremony and join with us on this momentous occasion. So August 14th is the day, join the caravan to Gold Eye Lake for cabin dedication. Further information on times and speakers will be carried in local press and radio as the date approaches.

### Camp Committee Meeting

A meeting was held on June 4 at Gold Eye Lake. Several important events transpired and I wish to report briefly about them.

1. A brief was presented to the policy council of the F.U. & C.D.A., in similar vein to the brief presented to the advisory committee a number of months ago. This brief outlined the aims and purposes and objectives of the camp as well as our needs. The reaction of the committee was favorable, but what the long term results of such a presentation will be, are at present unknown. However, we were most pleased at the reactions of the co-operative leaders to our project in general.

2. Sewage and water system — The camp committee had suggested that sewage and water system be installed at Gold Eye Lake in the summer of 1960. However, upon investigating the costs of this proposition, it was found that the price is beyond our reach at present. Consequently the camp committee has held back on making any definite steps toward this installation.

The camp committee toured the ghost town of Nordegg and found little or nothing that seemed to be of value to us in constructing the camp.

Another aspect that may be investigated more fully is the purchase of lumber this fall for the construction of the main pavilion. At present there are lumber operators west of Nordegg who would be only too happy to take on this deal. This of course, will depend on whether or not we see the possibilities of obtaining sufficient labour next summer to raise the shell of the main pavilion. This will be fully reported upon in the coming issues of The Organized Farmer.

### Junior Activities

During the past month, George Doupe and myself have attended all fourteen of the district conventions across the province. I am sure that Mr. Nelson will be giving you some of his reactions to the district conventions, so I will dwell upon them very briefly.

The first fact that faces me so far

as district conventions are concerned, is the lack of young people, especially juniors who are prepared to attend the conventions. At only one convention was there as many as ten young people present. At other conventions it was difficult to find anyone under 27 who prepared to undertake any activity in the Junior Section. I think it is a bad sign when we cannot interest our young people in coming out to district conventions, where the important affairs of the organization are carried on.

A second factor that I observed was the great variation of procedure that is followed by various districts. Truly, variety is the spice of life, but if many districts were to co-ordinate and make shorter work of their convention procedures, I am sure that they could have a more effective convention and finish earlier in the day, that they do at the present time.

Turning now to the Farm Young People's Week, I think that it was successful. We elected a number of new directors, and had a good annual convention, a report of which will also appear in this issue of The Organized Farmer. Also appearing will be the results of the Queen Contest and the Debating Contest, held at F.Y.P.W. All in all it has been a busy month with camp, junior activities and district conventions. I think we can generally say that there is some progress being made toward the completion of some of the ideas and projects on the Junior Front.

## Bremner Wins Debating Competition

After four years of trying, the Bremner Junior F.U.A. local debating team, this year won the debating competition sponsored by the Junior F.U.A. The team, consisting of Owen Haythorne and Bob Nesbitt, defeated a team from the Conrich Junior Local made up of Barry Clayton and Joan Peterson, in the final debate held at Farm Young People's Week. The subject of the debate was "Resolved That a Young Couple with \$50,000.00 Resources Would be Wise to Invest It in a Farm." The Bremner team took the negative side and proved to the judges satisfaction that it would be unwise to invest this amount of capital in a farm. The debate was well attended and was of fine quality.

The debating competition this year had only four entries, three from district 10 and one from the Bremner Junior Local. However, it was a good debate final, and the cup was finally wrested from the Conrich Local, who had held it for four years.

The Farmers' Union of Alberta  
Junior Camp Committee

requests the honor of your presence  
at the dedication of

THE PINEHILL MEMORIAL  
CABIN

at

GOLDEYE LAKE

on

Sunday, the fourteenth day of August

Nineteen Hundred and Sixty

at 11:30 a.m.

Reception Guests, Executives and Notables

EVERYONE WELCOME

Bring picnic lunch for dinner



#### SECOND PLACE WINNER IN THE JUNIOR F.U.A. QUEEN CONTEST

April Belik of Edgerton, District 7 representative, was the second place winner in the contest. April is a member of the Junior F.U.A., young people's group, and has her intermediate swimming crest.

## Junior F.U.A. Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Junior F.U.A. was held at the University of Alberta on Monday, June 20th during Farm Young People's Week. Morning thoughts were given by Rev. Sewell; Dr. A. C. McCugan brought greetings from the City of Edmonton.

Mr. Ed Nelson, F.U.A. president was guest speaker. He spoke on his trip to NATO Congress in London, England last June and showed slides of his trip.

President Alex McCalla reported on the work of the Juniors during the year and on the Junior Camp. Mrs. Gardner reported on the Junior debating, urging more locals to take part this year. Mr. Geo. Doupe introduced the Junior Queen Candidates and each gave a short talk giving facts about herself.

Alex McCalla was re-elected Junior President by acclamation and George Doupe 1st vice-president. Gerald Schuler was elected 2nd vice-president.

This year the Junior F.U.A. entertained two young people from Ontario, Edna Strong and Duncan Campbell. They attended part of F.Y.P.W., but had to leave for home before Junior Day, thus could not be introduced.

Junior directors elected were Stan Chileen, Picardville for District 3; Eugene Elm, Hardisty for District 7; Lorne Niehaus, Heisler for District 8; Alvin

Goetz, Bluffton for District 9; Paul Vassier, Three Hills for District 10; Earle Robinson, Morrin for District 11; Brian Bittorf, Milo for District 12 and Don Verostek, Enchant for District 14. Other Junior directors will be elected at the district conventions. Alternate directors elected were: District 7—April Belik; District 8—Ronald Henderson; District 9—John Tiltgen; District 10—Barrie Clayton; District 11—Ralph Whiteman; District 12—Janel Leslie and District 14—Larry Lang.

Among the resolutions which were discussed and passed were those dealing with the Junior Camp, Exchange Visits, Queen Contest, Banff Leadership Course, Election of Executive and date of F.Y.P.W.

## Recreation Safety

by Gay Hammerberg, Stettler S.D. 6

It was September. The wild ducks were beginning their trips south and many of them were stopping overnight in the sloughs on Mr. Hudson's farm for a rest. Before leaving they would have a feed of grain from the surrounding field.

Mr. Hudson invited some of his friends from town who liked to hunt and asked them to come out and go hunting one chilly morning.

Mrs. Hudson greeted them at the doorway on their return saying, "You look almost frozen, come in and have some hot coffee." The hunters left their boots, coats and guns in the porch and went in to have some coffee. Soon the Hudson kitchen rang with laughter and hunting yarns.

There was so much noise in the Hudson kitchen that no one heard seven-year-old Timmy Hudson come in from the barn where he had been playing with the kittens. Always fascinated with guns and having a small boy's curiosity, Timmy was in his glory looking over the guns. One by one he picked up the guns and fired imaginary shots at imaginary ducks.

Suddenly the blast of a shot-gun stopped all the laughter and talk in the kitchen. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson and their friends rushed to the porch where they saw Timmy lying in a tangle of coats, boots and guns.

It will soon be September again and when it comes, it will bring sad memories to the Hudson family because their little Timmy lies beneath the soil in the village cemetery. He would have been here this September if one careless hunter had remembered to unload his gun, or if Timmy had been taught never to play with guns.

## Recreation Safety

by Lois Sirgen, Camrose S.D. 20

I am a young man eighteen years of age, confined to my bed and wheel chair. This is the result of a hunting accident which happened when I was ten years old.

My father was a man fond of all sports, especially hunting. One evening he asked me if I would like to come along on a hunting expedition the following day.

Mother protested, but Dad assured her she had nothing to fear, as he knew how to handle firearms.

Father and I set out on our jaunt bright and early. We walked along chatting happily until we came to some dense bushes, and then proceeded more quietly. Soon we heard a rustle in the bushes and Father took a quick step forward. He stumbled and fell; then I felt a piercing pain shoot across the lower part of my back. I lost consciousness.

Later I found myself in a hospital room. Attempting to turn over, I realized it was impossible to move my legs. The bullet had scraped my spine, injuring a nerve which left the lower part of my body paralyzed. Father had forgotten to put the safety catch on the gun, so when he fell the rifle had discharged.

I spent many months in the hospital and underwent surgery several times, but nothing could be done for me. I am now an invalid for life.

My father's hair is now white and his step is slow, even though he is still young. Many times I hear him say: "Why was I not more careful? My carelessness did this to my son."

Though at times I am lonely and wish I could participate in the activities of other young people, I am grateful to be alive. I hope this accident which happened to me has helped make many sportsmen and those who use firearms pay more heed to recreation safety rules. Careful observation of these could prevent similar tragedies.

## F.W.U.A. HI-LITES

The June meeting of the Swalwell Local proved to be very helpful as well as profitable. Their Cancer Society drive netted \$168.75 for 1960 and their discussion on "Farm Safety" resulted in three main issues: (1) Be it resolved that any boy or girl under 13 years stay off highways. (2) Railway cars all must be marked in a very definite way. (3) All machinery agencies to put a permanent device on for night time

safety. Also Mrs. Elliot gave a talk on "Home Beautification."

Mr. Dennis Exner from the Barons-Eureka Health Unit spoke on "Family Courts," "The Social Worker" and "Child Welfare." All the ladies of the Readymade local then took part in the question and answer period held after the talk.

Mrs. Banta, District 10 director, paid a visit to the Gleichen local at their meeting in June. The ladies were also entertaining the local from Hussar.

The Black Diamond local decided at a buzz session that a "Smart-Alec Driver" should have his license suspended for a time, and should also be not allowed the use of any car.

The St. Albert local has decided, since many of their members will be away on holidays, not to hold a meeting in July. The August meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Summers. Happy holidays . . .

The members of the Anthony Hill (Brightview) local are of the opinion that a child could be taught how to handle a tractor properly before the age thirteen and that if the child is not per-

mitted to take part in all phases of farm life and work you may run the risk of driving the child from the farm.

The new FWUA local, Tomahawk, held its first meeting in May at the home of Mrs. Marion Jouan. The elections took place with Mrs. W. Case elected president; Mrs. C. Richter first vice-president; Mrs. V. Enjeneski, second vice-president and Mrs. T. Reich as secretary. Good luck ladies.

The Sydenham-Gerald local sponsored Miss Delrose Ann Woodward at the Young People's Week at the University of Alberta.

At the May meeting of the Hillside local (Millet) they answered roll call by using quotes from Bill Harper's F.U.A. broadcasts. It would be very interesting to hear some of the opinions of Mr. Harper's broadcasts.

A wish from the Sunnynook local was made known at their May meeting. It was to have the Farmers' Union adopt a medical plan such as the M.S.I. It's something to think about.

May and June have been active months for the Drumheller East Local.

During the May meeting they discussed to some extent the topic "The Traffic Offender", also plans were made for the making of a quilt to be raffled off and a tea and bake sale held in June. June saw the finish of the making of the quilt and Mrs. Gaschnitz was appointed head of the committee handling the bake sale. Good luck on your tea and bake sale.

The Sunny Hills Local (Morrin) realized \$117.08 when they served at the farm auction sale. The F.U.A. & FWUA held a social evening in honour of one of their farm families who are leaving for England very shortly. Mr. Larry Grenville, who was past president of the Morrin F.U.A., and his wife, Joan, who was also an active member in the FWUA, and family were honored. At their June meeting the ladies decided to apply for membership in the Canadian Association for Consumers. It is their hope that other FWUA locals will follow suit and perhaps be accepted as the the 17th women's organization supporting them.

Pelican FWUA Local (Edgerton) made arrangements for a bake sale at the May 20th track meet in Edgerton at their recent meeting. Mrs. Aasen gave a very interesting talk on co-operation.

## U.F.A. CO-OP MEMBERS -- REMEMBER TO VOTE !

U.F.A. Co-op is owned and controlled by its farmer members throughout Alberta. Delegates are elected by members by secret ballot. Delegates for each district elect the Director for that district. These elected representatives determine policy of U.F.A. Co-op in the best interests of the farmer members.

### U.F.A. CO-OP LTD. BALLOT

#### For Election of Delegate — Sub-District XXX

NAMES OF CANDIDATES	Mark order of Preference Here
<b>Bill Smith</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Tom Brown</b>	<b>1</b>

If there is an election in your U.F.A. CO-OP sub-district — REMEMBER TO VOTE !

# DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

## 100 Attend F.U.A. Convention

The annual F.U.A. convention for District 10, held at the Olds School of Agriculture on Friday, June 17th, was attended by more than 100 F.U.A. and F.W.U.A. members.

Introductory speakers were Mayor Shackleton, for the town of Olds, and Mr. Birdsall in behalf of the Olds School of Agriculture.

Interesting reports relating to the year's activities were presented by Mrs. Eva Banta, F.W.U.A. director and Mr. L. Hilton, F.U.A. director.

Speakers during the day were: Mr. Oxford of the Car Insurance Pool, Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite, F.W.U.A. president; Mr. Ed Nelson, F.U.A. president; Mr. Alex McCalla, Jr. F.U.A. president.

Mr. Oxford informed the delegates that as a result of the increase in insurance sold this year, the ratio of the premiums on car pool insurances for the coming year will be cut. An interesting film on safe driving was enjoyed, showing how we can help with our safety program.

Mrs. Braithwaite gave a brief history on why the F.W.U.A. was organized and how it has come to centre its policies on health, education, and social welfare. In referring to the Cameron Commission on Education, she pointed out the need for special attention to the gifted child as well as the retarded child, she also suggested that community colleges could well fill the gap where students have dropped out of school before they obtain their matriculation, enabling them to learn a skill or trade as 70% of the jobs available today are of a professional or skilled nature.

Mr. Nelson centred his talk on: The F.U.A.—A service organization. Many of the services now available through this organization have developed from decisions made at the annual conventions. The services now available are: car pool insurance, liability insurance, life insurance, legal services, services re surface rights and income tax accounting.

Mr. McCalla gave a detailed account of the Junior activities—the Junior annual convention held during F.Y.P.W. at the university, the junior queen contest, debating, exchange visits with young people from other provinces and the Gold Eye Lake Camp Project.

Mr. Griesbach spoke on the responsibilities of committees. The Advisory Committee for the F.U. & C.D.A. has brought in 29 recommendations which have been accepted in the program for the coming year. He pointed out that in the future we must take a whole new look at farming. We not only have fields of grain to work in, but community and organizational fields that take us beyond our own fence.

Twenty-one resolutions were presented during the day and all were dealt with.

Officers elected for the ensuing year: F.U.A. director, L. Hilton, Strathmore; F.W.U.A. director, Mrs. R. R. Banta, Crossfield; alternate F.U.A. director, Ed Kober, Trochu; alternate F.W.U.A. director, Mr. Ben Jasman, Three Hills.

## District 8 Convention

The 12th annual convention of District 8 of the Farmers' Union of Alberta was held at Forestburg on June 27th, 1960. There were one hundred and fifty delegates, visitors and officials present.

Reports were received from directors, and sub-directors during the morning.

Mr. F. Oxford of the Co-op Fire & Casualty showed a film on Highway Safety and passed out safety pledges to be signed and safety stickers for cars.

Twenty-one resolutions were dealt with during the day.

The three provincial presidents of the organization, Mr. Ed Nelson, Mrs. C. R. Braithwaite and Mr. Alex McCalla spoke on matters pertinent to the organization.

Fraternal delegates of the Alberta Wheat Pool and United Grain Growers brought greetings from their organizations.

Hon. Dr. J. Donovan Ross, Minister of Health for the Provincial Government was guest speaker. His topic was the new dental auxiliaries act and what he hoped it would do to alleviate inadequate dental care in the province. Dr. Ross explained that according to the Act, he had set up a committee of five in an advisory capacity.

Mr. Floyd Griesbach, director of the F.U. & C.D.A. explained the new educational program.

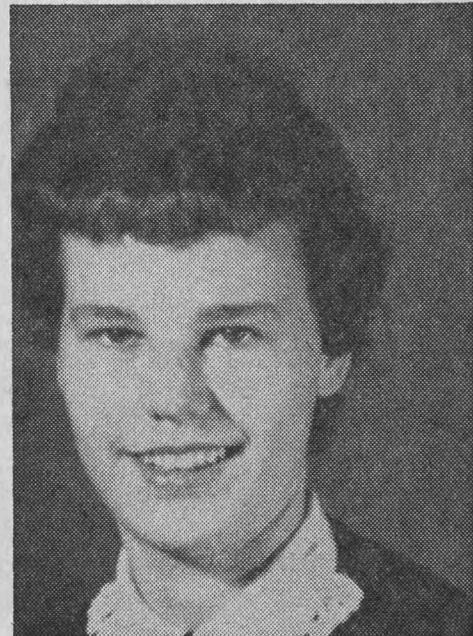
Mr. W. R. Hansel of Gadsby was returned to office as F.U.A. director, and

Mrs. J. R. Hallum of Sedgewick as F.W.U.A. director.

The following were also elected for the year:

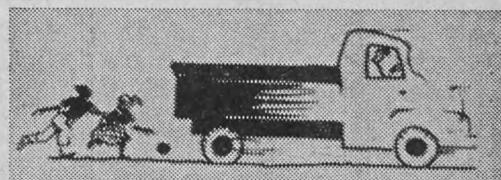
Mr. C. Jorgenson, alternate director; Mrs. M. Winters, alternate F.W.U.A. director; L. Millang, sub-director, sub-district 1; J. Kondrat, sub-director, sub-district 2; R. Haesloop, sub-director, sub-district 3; T. Bruce, sub-director, sub-district 4; John Ross, sub-director, sub-district 5; J. Kirschman, sub-director, sub-district 6; Lorne Niehaus, Jr. director; R. Henderson, assistant Jr. director.

The Hastings Coulee W.A. served a delicious dinner.



THIRD PLACE WINNER IN THE JUNIOR F.U.A. QUEEN CONTEST

Joan Pedersen of Conrich is vice-president of the Junior F.U.A. local, president of the local Junior Red Cross Club and is a Sunday School teacher. Joan represented District 10 in the contest.



Child victims of harvest accidents are often injured or killed in driveways or farm yard. Do not allow small children into work areas, unless accompanied by an adult who can give them full attention. If older children want to help, supervise them carefully.

## Farm Union Representatives Attended Mental Health Seminar



Standing from left to right are: Mr. Paul Nowak, Gooderich; Mrs. Marion Jouan, Tomahawk; Mrs. Anna Donnelly, Freedom; Dr. H. E. Smith, B.A., M.Ed., former Dean of Education and General Chairman of the seminar; Mrs. J. R. Hallum, Sedgewick; Mrs. Marie Robertson, Clairmont; Mrs. Mary Properzi, Freedom. Seated left to right are: Mrs. Joe Paronich, Vegreville; Mrs. James L. Marr, Millet; Mrs. John Zaseybida, Vegreville; Mrs. Henry Schlecker, Stony Plain; Mrs. Paul Tropak, Vegreville; Mrs. Paul Belik, Edgerton.

## Mental Health Seminar

Among the forty students from communities in Northern Alberta who attended a three-day seminar on **Mental Illness and Mental Health**, held at St. Stephen's College, University of Alberta, were a large number of representatives of F.U.A. and F.W.U.A. locals. The seminar was conducted by the Canadian Mental Health Association.

Speakers at the seminar included Dr. J. Guild on "Modern Concepts of Mental Illness"; Prof. Wm. Forster on "Social Factors in Mental Breakdown"; Dr. Harold Barker on "Marriage, The Family and Mental Health"; Dr. Z. Selinger speaking on "Management of Neuroses, Psychoses and Personality Defects." Objectives and methods of treatment were discussed by Dr. F. J. Edwards and Dr. T. C. Michie, superintendent, Provincial Mental Hospital, Ponoka. Mr. Grant Smith discussed the Canadian Mental Health Association's plans for extending its organizational work across Northern Alberta.

A man cannot push himself ahead by patting himself on the back.

## C.P.R. Offers Overseas Tour in 1960

Farm people with a yen to travel will be interested in the offer being put forth by the Canadian Pacific Railway. CPR is offering a "Canadian Farmers Abroad" tour in October, with a round of visits to farms, shows, sales, agricultural colleges and research institutes in Scotland and England. The Canadian travellers will sail from Montreal on October 4, on the Empress of Britain, and leave Liverpool on the 28th on the Empress of France, providing for 18 days of enjoyable and interesting travel in the British Isles. A total of 1,100 miles of countryside will be viewed from motor coach, and visits will include the annual Scottish Shorthorn breeders sale in Perth, along with other famous places of agricultural interest. Provision has been made for drives through some of Britain's finest scenic countryside, to Loch Earn, Loch Lomond, and the English Lake district, and there will be two days of free time in London.

A representative of the Agricultural department of the CPR will accompany the tour, and arrangements have been made well in advance with the co-operation of the "Scottish Farmer" in Scotland, and the National Farmers' Union

of England and Wales. Anyone interested in securing information on this farm tour should contact his local CPR ticket or travel agent for particulars.

## Let's Grow

An organization  
Just doesn't consist  
Of President and Executive  
Top of the list.

It's got to have members—  
More members like you  
To help with our plans  
And carry them through.

There must be  
Some firm you know  
Would like to come in  
And help us grow.

So join hands with us now  
And help us to do  
The thing that we couldn't  
Just do without you.

We have a President, — an  
Executive too. But to make us  
successful, we've got to have  
YOU!

—Edmonton Better Business Bureau

## Farm Young People

by Mrs. C. James

Farm Young People's Week at the University is just over and for the second consecutive year it has been my privilege to attend as the F.W.U.A. representative. The attendance was up about thirty from last year but the girls were still outnumbered three to one. Living "On Campus" is a new and worthwhile experience for most and one girl told me that because of her stay there this year, she has definitely decided to attend university. The elective courses were of a high calibre and the prizes well worth working for. Social activities and sports were planned so it was a well-rounded ten-day program.

Two exchange students, Edna Strong of Bolton and Duncan Campbell of Kincardine, delegates from the Ontario Junior Farmers attended most of F.Y.P. Week. One evening these two young people showed slides and spoke on their organization. They took an active part in the activities of the week and everyone declared their visit was one to be remembered.

The previous week the Department of Agriculture had taken Edna and Duncan on a conducted tour of the Province. Alex McCalla and his wife accompanied them on this trip and all reported an enjoyable time.

I'm sure you all know that the Junior F.U.A. Queen contest was changed somewhat this year. Ticket sales were only one part, as the girls were judged on deportment, personality, appearance, etc. during F.Y.P.W., by a panel of judges. Ten girls, representing ten districts, were in attendance during the week and all districts are to be congratulated on their choice of candidates. Excitement ran high all week and was climaxed on banquet and dance night, when the winner was announced and crowned. Mr. Duncan Campbell, De-

partment of Extension, crowned the "Queen" and I'm sure many of you saw this ceremony on TV. This year's Queen is Karen Smith of Vulcan and her two attendants are April Belik of Edgerton and Joan Pedersen of Comrich. Karen will be in the exhibition parades at Calgary, Lethbridge and Edmonton. The contest was a financial success also and the Juniors are again able to help sponsor the Banff Leadership Course.

This past year only three teams took part in the debating but the finals were again held one evening at F.Y.P. Week. Alex McCalla chaired the debate and this year the cup was won by the Bremner team. It is to be hoped that more teams compete this year in this very worthwhile project.

Once again one of the highlights of F.Y.P. Week was "Junior Day," the annual convention of the Jr. F.U.A. And once again I was impressed with the ability displayed by the Juniors in carrying out the business of the day. Several speakers were heard and nine resolutions were discussed and passed. Alex McCalla was elected president again with George Doupe, first vice-president and Gerald Schuler, second vice-president.

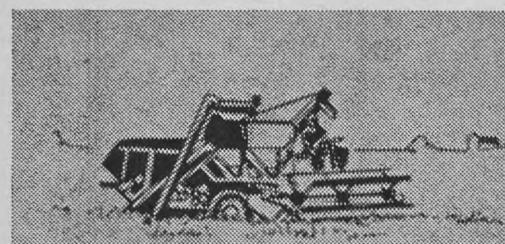
Now I would like to bring you up-to-date on some of the Junior activities during the past year.

Last August Dean Lien attended the American Institute of Co-operation held in Chicago. This year Larry Lang has been elected to attend the Institute which is being held in Berkeley, California.

Last November Alex McCalla was one of the two university students chosen to attend the McGill Conference on World Affairs. Students from 26 Canadian universities and eight U.S.A. universities met to discuss Afro-Asian underdeveloped countries. Alex is to be congratulated on being elected president of the Students' Council at the University of Alberta.

Progress of "Junior Camp" is reported on in The Organized Farmer so I will only urge everyone to keep this project alive and rolling. This camp is needed as a focal place for the training and meeting of our Juniors. All those taking an active part in this project are to be commended.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my work with the Juniors during the past year. Let's all do our part by encouraging the young people to take an active part in the Junior Section of our farm organization.



Combine operation requires good judgment. Know your machine. **Shut off power before cleaning, adjusting, or lubricating.** Walk around the machine before starting it. Be certain that everyone is clear before engaging the power. Keep shields in place.

## In Memory of Andrew Kochanowski



Andrew Kochanowski

We are grieved by the sad news of the death of one of the readers of The Organized Farmer, Andrew Kochanowski, who passed away on the 28th of April, and left in deep sorrow his 70-year-old father, 70-year-old mother in Newbrook, Alta., three sisters and two brothers. His sisters, Olena and Mary live in Newbrook, and his sister Anne in Athabasca. His brother Anton lives in Chicago, and Alec teaches in Edmonton.

Andrew Kochanowski was born on October 23rd, 1912 at Winnipeg. When he was still a small boy his parents moved to a farm in Newbrook, Alta. In this district, Andrew farmed along with his parents. He served two years in the armed forces, was active in the farmers' movement, carrying out his duties as secretary of a farmers' union local. Before the second world war, Andrew became a member of the Ukrainian Labor Farmer Temple Association, played an active part in this organization, and after the war continued his work in the Association of United Ukrainian Canadians.

Funeral services were held May 2nd in Newbrook. Officiating at the services was a minister of the Orthodox Church. Andrew was buried in the Newbrook cemetery.

At the funeral repast John Lazowski of Winnipeg, spoke and made an appeal for contributions to the people's press. This appeal netted a sum of \$49.25, which was equally divided between two

newspapers, The Organized Farmer and the Ukrainian Word. The collectors were John Sadoway and Sam Charuk.

The following contributed: \$2.00 each John Sadoway, Fred Horen, Eugene Kramer, Anton Kochanowski and John Kochanowski; \$1.00 each—Sam Charuk, John Lazowski, Harry Turko, Bill Sadoway, Bill Gurba, Nick Panchuk, Peter Dutkewich, Walter Hrecun, R. Nykyforuk, Andrew Nykyforuk, a friend, Taras Charuk, Alec Melnyk, Katherine Kochanowski, Mary Turko, T. Ollecka, Alec Kochanowski, K. Pallard, Mary Pelenska, Marian and Helen Dutkewich, Bill Hrecun, J. Choma, Paul Hrecun, Orest Panchuk, M. Vlueen, John Kostrewa, Paul Choma, Mike Kochanowski; \$.80—John Gordash; \$.75—Mike Turko; \$.50 each—Bill Zarichny, Mike Dutkewich, Mike Sadoway and John Skicko; \$.25 each—Mike Dutkewich, P. Panchuk and Katherine Nykyforuk.

To all donors—a sincere thank you. To the family of the late Andrew Kochanowski we express our deepest sympathy.

## Amisk F.U.A. Report

This year the Amisk F.U.A. Local 702 sponsored one of its Junior members to attend Farm Young People's Week at the University of Alberta. He is Burdette Lehne, of Amisk.

Burdette is 19 years old, and was born on his father's farm on the outskirts of Amisk. He received his Grade 12 at the Hughenden Central High School.

Burdette has always been a Junior member of the Amisk F.U.A. and has also been active in the 4-H Beef Club. He served on the executive for one year and won first prize for showmanship in his first year with the club. With this money, together with the receipts from the sale of his calf, he was able to purchase a pure bred Hereford heifer. This enterprising young farmer has now raised four heifers and one registered bull from his original purchase.

At the University, Burdette chose the following course of instruction:

1. Co-operative and Credit Union instruction.
2. Chairmanship and Parliamentary procedure.
3. Beef production.
4. Cereals and Forage.

We are looking forward to hearing Burdette's report at one of our meetings in the future.

## District 3 Award Winning Report

### Freedom-Naples F.W.U.A. Annual Report to District 3 Convention read by Florence Anderson

The Freedom-Naples F.W.U.A. has 17 active members, with an average attendance of 12. We held 12 meetings during the year.

We had a successful year financially; the hi-light was our annual flower show and tea at Barrhead in August. We also catered to a 4-H banquet, a wedding, had a booth at the Barrhead Stock Show, made and raffled a rug and a contrast embroidery cushion, had whist drives, and sold 30 F.W.U.A. cook books.

Due to our financial success we were able to contribute to various charity organizations. We sent \$25.00 to the Bethany Children's Home in Wetaskiwin, \$27.00 to the Red Cross, and \$5.00 to the Heart Fund. Every month we gave ice-cream to all patients in the Barrhead hospital. Once a year we send birthday gifts to mental patients at Oliver.

Sick members are remembered with flowers, and every hospitalized person is remembered with a get-well card. Any member who becomes a new mother receives a cup and saucer.

Our local is also active in community affairs. At Christmas we had a supper party in the hall with our families. Our local is a member of the Barrhead Auxiliary and we assisted by buying 20 yards of flannelette and making nighties and diapers. We gave our scrap books on Alberta, South Africa, and the Alberta Indians to the hospital.

The bulletins from the Farmer's Union head office are distributed among the members and presented at each meeting. This is the highlight of our program, as guest speakers are invited to talk on the bulletins, or we have a buzz session, panel discussion, film, or whatever is appropriate.

To create interest we had four speakers—a lawyer who enlightened us on Community Property Laws and Women's Rights, a teacher who gave us a travelogue on Europe, a representative from the Credit Union, and our District Agriculturist spoke on farm beautification. We had three demonstrations—one on making pyjamas out of a man's shirt, another on cosmetics and one on handicraft by the District Home Economist.

To liven things we had debates on "The small farmer—should he stay or go," and the "Buyers' Strike." When the F.U.A. sponsored the special meetings using radio to study the F.U. & C.D.A. our local took part. We are a

member of the University Travelling Library. Our study of Africa has been aided by a large map drawn by one of the members. We are also studying the Cameron Report on Education.

For entertainment we toured Edmonton and saw a musical comedy in the Jubilee Auditorium. Two of our members attended Farm Women's Week in Vermilion, and two partook of the Mental Health Seminar in Edmonton. On Farmers' Day we joined the F.U.A. for a picnic at the lake.

We elect a new executive every year to keep everyone on her toes. Each month we report in the Barrhead Leader on our F.W.U.A. activities.

Several members attended the F.U.A. workshop in Barrhead. Thirteen members attended the F.W.U.A. conference at Hazel-Bluff, at which we won first prize in the handicraft competition. Two delegates were sent to the District Convention and two to the Provincial Convention.

We are so busy we haven't time to grumble or feel sorry for ourselves.

**Editor's Note:** The written reports were first judged by a panel. Only the three winners were read to the convention. Other winners were Freedom F.U.A. and Jarvie F.U.A.

## HANDS

Hands were made for working with. Throughout the busy days — you use your hands and move them in a thousand different ways. To work the garden, and the home, to cook and sew, and write. They're never really still until you fall asleep at night.

Hands were made for praying with, and that's important too. In spite of all the duties and the tasks you have to do — before you start your day and just before you go to bed—place your hands together, close your eyes and bow your head.

*"Harbours of Happiness"*  
—by Patience Strong.



Moving machinery on public roads is a necessary but dangerous harvest job. Obey traffic laws. Warn motorists with flags by day, safety lights and reflective material by night. Post flagmen if visibility is limited by hills, curves, or obstructions.

# BUILDING FOR TOMORROW

The Alberta Wheat Pool recognizes the value of education to rural youth—the Farm Leaders of Tomorrow.

This interest is expressed in a tangible way through a number of scholarships and bursaries the Pool makes available to Alberta farm young people each year.

## Bursaries For Rural Students

Two bursaries are awarded each year, each worth \$500 annually for a period of up to five years. The bursaries, restricted to students whose parents are farmers, are based on scholastic standing in high school and need for financial assistance.

## Garden Club Scholarships

Three, valued at \$200 each are awarded annually to enable former 4-H Garden Club members to enroll in the Household Economics course at the University of Alberta. The purpose of these awards is to assist in the training of District Home Economists.

## Henry Wise Wood Memorial Bursaries

Bursaries, worth \$135 each, are awarded annually to assist farm boys and girls to attend the provincial Schools of Agriculture. Two are provided for each school. Members and former members of any of Alberta's 4-H clubs are eligible.

In addition, the Alberta Wheat Pool actively supports Alberta's 4-H program and provides financial and other assistance to young people attending leadership and development courses.

For information on any of these annual bursaries and scholarships, write to the Alberta Wheat Pool, Calgary.

